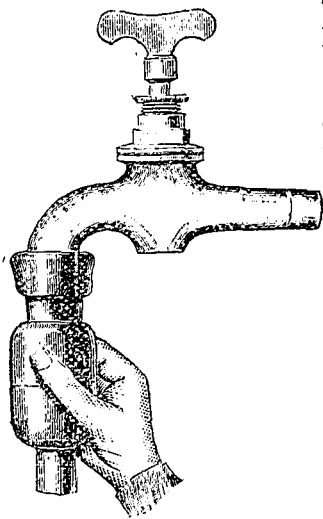


"DE BRETTE'S EXHILARATOR BRACE," De Brette, 15, Claremont, Hastings.—This article, which has been invented for the use of ladies and gentlemen, as well as children and young people of both sexes, meets a decided want in the shape of supplying a light and at the same time valuable brace for the cure and prevention of stooping. It is readily adapted, and will prove efficacious for the purpose for which it is intended. The braces are sold at one shilling and sixpence, two shillings and sixpence, five shillings, and ten shillings and sixpence. They really deserve the attention of all those who are engaged in work of a sedentary kind, or who have to stoop much.

A TAP FILTER.—An exceedingly useful and, at the same time, thoroughly reliable little article, has been patented and brought out by Messrs.



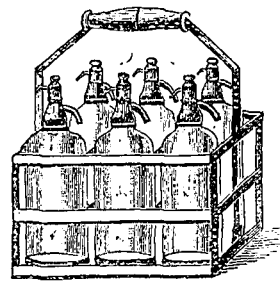
all suspended matter from the water.

THE PATENT NECROPOLIS EARTH TO EARTH COFFINS.—The importance of a complete and radical change in our method of burial is now being practically and very properly forced upon us by the great increase in population. The London Necropolis Co., 2, Lancaster Place, Strand, W.C., claim "that the coffin or 'casket,' while not repulsive in appearance, like ordinary coffins, is peculiarly suited to the process of natural interment, facilitating the free resolvent action of the earth upon human remains. Its construction is simple as it is salutary. Possessing the apparent strength, solidity, and other qualities of a solid coffin, it yet differs in this important respect—namely, that while the latter interferes with the natural dissolution of the body, the former promotes its disintegration and absorption, thus effectually carrying out the sanitary principle of 'Earth-to-earth' burial," and further state that,

Tippetts, Limited, of Birmingham. All that is required is to fix it, which is readily done on the ordinary water tap, and beyond reversing it occasionally (daily preferred) to cleanse and free it from accumulation, there it remains, a permanent and most efficacious adjunct to sanitation. The manufacturers are to be congratulated. Every house and Institution should use these, as they readily remove

"To Mr. Seymour Haden is due the full credit of having exposed the fearful evils arising from the practice of burying the dead in wooden or other imperishable coffins. In his series of able letters to *The Times*, he points out that at present 'the dead are little more than nominally buried, and that the interposition between them and the earth that should resolve them of such media as wood, lead, brick, and the like, interment as a principle is rendered all but nugatory, and as a practice deprived of its *raison d'être*, and, moreover, has led us to accumulate in our midst a vast store of human remains in every stage and condition of decay,' a state of things revolting in the extreme, and fatal to the health of the community." We should perhaps mention, that the London Necropolis Company undertake the entire arrangements of funerals, without the intervention of the ordinary undertaker at any stage of the proceedings. All that is necessary is, that, in case of death, notice of the event should immediately be sent to the offices. We can give every assurance to our readers that the company carries out its business in a thoroughly decorous manner.

MANY are the Hospital Nurses who will welcome the new invention known as the Syphon Carrier (Messrs. Barclay & Sons, Farringdon Road, E.C.)



It is a cage of block-tin, with a wooden handle, and divided into six compartments, each of which will comfortably hold an ordinary soda-water syphon. By an ingenious hinge arrangement the sides fold in and close to a thickness of only four inches. It

is strong and portable, therefore, in more ways than one. Nurses who have experienced the labour and difficulty of carrying three syphons at a time from the lift or from the dispensary will welcome this most useful invention, which enables twelve to be carried with the greatest ease and comfort.

COLLARD'S DIABETIC FOODS.—We have received from Messrs. S. Collard and Co., of 146, New Bond Street, W., several varieties of their Diabetic Foods, in the preparation of which they have shown themselves to be so singularly successful. Careful examination has proved these foods to contain all the exceptional qualities which their manufacturers claim for them, and that, too, in a very high degree. The Gluten and Almond Biscuits are particularly palatable. They contain

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